SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NOS. 2022-93-E and 2022-97-E

Order No. 2022-32-H

APRIL 14, 2022

Hearing Officer: David Stark

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Application of SR Lambert I, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction and Operation of a 100 MW Solar Facility in Georgetown County, South Carolina Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-10 et. seq., and Request to Proceed with Initial Construction Work, S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-110(7);

-and-

Application of SR Lambert II, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction and Operation of a 100 MW Solar Facility in Georgetown County, South Carolina Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-10 et. seq.,and Request to Proceed with Initial Construction Work, S.C. Code Ann. § 58-33-110(7)

MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request for Approval of Consent Schedule

HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

The Applicants in Docket Nos. 2022-93-E and 2022-97-E, which are to be heard jointly, have proposed a consent schedule for Commission consideration. As set forth in an April 4, 2022 communication, the parties have proposed the following schedule:

May 12: brief convening of hearing with only counsel present, to satisfy statutory requirement to convene proceeding within 60 to 90 days of application being filed.

June 8: ORS and Other Parties Testimony due

June 22: Applicant Rebuttal Testimony due

July 1: ORS Surrebuttal Testimony due

July 13: Full witness hearing

The Applicants, in a communication dated April 14, 2022, have stated their belief that the hearing may be started and completed in one day. It was further indicated that the ORS agrees with that assessment. The proposed procedural schedule, when considered in context with the Commission's scheduling needs, will be able to accommodate a one-day hearing. However, should the hearing take longer than the scheduled day on July 13, 2022, it will be necessary to reconvene at a later date to conclude the hearing.

Therefore, with the understanding that the Commission can accommodate a one-day hearing, but additional days – if necessary – will be scheduled as the Commission calendar allows, the consent schedule is approved as expressed by the Applicants and stated in this Directive.